

THE BIG GUN.

It Weighs in the Neighborhood of Thirty Tons

And Fires Nearly Six Hundred Pounds of Metal Nine Miles.

It is a Breech-Loader of High Power, and is Twenty-Nine Feet in Length—The Gun Can Be Loaded and Fired in Five Minutes.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—The first official test of the ten-inch disappearing pneumatic gun carriage was made at the United States ordnance proving grounds at Sandy Hook.

The tests were made under the supervision of the board of ordnance and fortifications. They were directed by Capt. Frank Heath, in charge of the proving grounds, assisted by Lieut. Wheeler, of the ordnance department. At exactly 11:30 the first shot was fired. The gun is a breech-loader of high power, is twenty-nine feet in length, weighs thirty tons and fires a projectile weighing 575 pounds. The gun is connected with the carriage by two powerful arms, and when raised to a firing position is at a height of eight feet above the carriage. To load and make ready for firing requires only five minutes. It is all done by compressed air manipulated by one man. The projectile was placed on a loading tray, and by the turning of a small wheel the tray was raised to the breech of the gun and the projectile was rammed home by a telescopic rammer. Two sacks of powder followed the projectile into the breech.

The sacks contained 180 pounds. The elevation was three degrees. The time required to bring the gun down to the buffers was one minute and fifteen seconds. The second shot was fired at three minutes of 12 o'clock at an elevation of twenty degrees. The projectile contained 250 pounds of powder, a service charge such as is used in time of war.

At an elevation of twenty degrees the projectile splashed the sea nine miles away. When the gun recoiled it came within two inches of the buffers, and in less than ten seconds, had sunk gently on the buffers into loading position. It is with a charge like this that the carriage is supposed to work perfectly. This was the highest elevation fired from any carriage with the new high-power gun in this country. The third shot was fired at an elevation of three degrees, and the projectile, contained 190 pounds of powder. The recoil brought the gun within eighteen inches of the buffers, and the time required to get it in loading position was two minutes and forty-five seconds.

The fourth shot was at an elevation of five degrees and the recoil was seven inches above the buffer. Time required to bring the gun into position, one minute. The sixth shot was fired at an elevation of fifteen degrees. The charge was thirty pounds, and the gun recoiled within three inches of the buffers and rebounded to a height of twelve inches. Time required to get the gun into loading position, one minute and fifteen seconds. The seventh shot was fired at an elevation of three degrees with 210 pounds of powder.

Eighth shot, two hundred and twenty pounds of powder, at an elevation of ten degrees. Ninth, 180 pounds of powder at twenty degrees. Tenth, 100 pounds of powder at an elevation of twenty degrees. The time for the elevation of the gun from zero to twenty degrees was thirty-one seconds; time for depression from twenty degrees to zero, thirty-eight seconds; time occupied to traverse 120 degrees, fifty-four seconds. When the gun is in a firing position it is about fifteen feet from the ground. Much delay was occasioned by passing vessels, and as Capt. Heath did not want to sink any more schooners, firing was done only when the coast was clear.

The projectiles used were about three and one-half feet long and were of cast-iron. There will be two more official tests of the carriage. The test was, in the language of the contract, with such charges as may be suited to test the working and adjustment of the several parts of the carriage. The next test, which will be on Tuesday, will be with ten rounds, full service charges at such elevations as may be determined by the board. This test will be under the direction of Maj. Conly, as the representative of the board. The board as a whole will not attend. The third test will be ten rounds, with full service charges, as rapidly as the gun can be served. The cost of the carriage, if accepted, will be \$48,000.

Long-Distance Telephone.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—A message cabled from Paris announces that M. Olliot, inspector of telegraphs in the French capital, had succeeded in overcoming the difficulty heretofore experienced in telephoning long distances under water. His apparatus, it was said, would render it possible to converse between New York and Paris.

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—For Ohio—Fair, probably preceded by showers at lake stations; slightly warmer; winds shifting to southeast.

For Indiana and Illinois—Fair, preceded by showers in northern portion; warmer in Indiana; variable winds.

For Minnesota—Showers; warmer; south winds.

Whole Train Burning.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 15.—At 2 o'clock Monday morning word was received that a train of forty-two cars on the Erie road, filled with fine merchandise, a mile east of William street, was burning fiercely, with no protection.

Five Thousand Deaths.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 15.—The cholera returns for Russia for the 15th last show a large increase in the number of new cases as well as in the mortality. There are reported 9,177 new cases and 5,000 deaths.

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FIRST YEAR.

MAYSVILLE, KY., MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 1892.

ONE CENT.

Personal Points

If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

Ed. Hill, Jr., has gone to Cincinnati.

Ed. Swisher of Ripley spent yesterday in this city.

J. D. Dye and wife returned from Denver this morning.

Elbert Pangburn has gone to Ripley to spend part of his vacation.

Mrs. James Crain returned Saturday night from a visit to Vanceburg.

Mrs. Amy McCormick of Georgetown is visiting her relatives in this city.

Captain E. W. Fitzgerald of the C. and O. spent yesterday with his family.

Robert C. Ross of Chicago arrived last night on a visit to friends and relatives.

Will Woodworth of Portsmouth, O., spent yesterday with relatives in this city.

Mrs. E. W. Fitzgerald and children returned from a pleasant visit to Mt. Sterling Saturday.

Mrs. Thomas Wood of Sharpsburg is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Phister.

Harry P. Taylor of the Kentucky Journal, Newport was in Maysville yesterday and called on THE LEDGER.

Early Worick, Second Assistant Postmaster General at the Maysville office, spent yesterday in Washington.

Miss Anna Geis has returned from a pleasant visit at Cincinnati. She was accompanied home by Miss Margaret Byrne.

Mrs. Mary C. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Power and daughter, and Mrs. W. D. Power and daughters of this city, accompanied by Miss Anna Sparks of Terre Haute, Ind., are attending Parks Hills Camp meeting.

FRANK BAKER shot and killed Reece Logan at Corbin.

CINCINNATI Knights Templars left Denver Saturday night.

DIPHTHERIA is prevalent also in the Eastern part of the county.

STREET cars began running in this city just nine years ago yesterday.

TOM STEVENS, a carpenter, cut himself severely in the thigh at Milldale.

THE price of THE CINCINNATI Commonwealth will hereafter be one cent per copy.

QUITE a number of Maysville people attended the races at Oakley, Cincinnati, Saturday.

THE children of F. R. Owens of the Rectoryville neighborhood are ill from diphtheria.

A LARGE freight engine of the Cincinnati Southern backed into the turn-table at Lexington.

THE story about another anarchist seeking H. C. Frick's gore turns out to be a canard.

NO CHINAMAN has taken out his neutralization papers at Cincinnati for upwards of thirteen years.

RICHARD CROKER, the Tammany Chief, was the engineer of the first steam fire engine used in New York.

R. K. STONY has been appointed Postmaster at Grange City, Fleming county, vice T. M. Williams resigned.

A NUMBER of Pennsylvania Knights Templars were injured in a railway accident at Clinton, Pa., Saturday.

AT Owensboro Redmon Smith was given sixteen years in the penitentiary for the killing of Mrs. Lizzie Tracy.

SINCE August 4th 20,000 pensioners have been paid through the Louisville office a sum aggregating about \$900,000.

A FOURTH-CLASS Postoffice has been established at Lost Fork, Whitley county, and John H. Stevens appointed Postmaster.

AT Shelbyville James Boyd, Jr., the well known horseman, was thrown from a vehicle and had three of his ribs broken.

A HEAVY wall in the tank-room of the Hartford City Glass Works, Hartford City, Ind., fell, killing five men and injuring two others.

THE sale of seats for Barlow Brothers' Minstrels opens Tuesday at Nelson's. Parquet 75 cents, Dress Circle 50 cents, Balcony 50 cents.

THE Republican Convention of the Fourth Kentucky District at Elizabethtown nominated C. M. Barnett of Ohio county for Congress.

THE boycott against The New York Tribune has been officially removed by Typographical Union No. 6 and it is now a union office in every respect.

THE Myers family of Cincinnati are arranging for an outing at Coney Island. All citizens by the name of Myers, Myers, Meiser or Meyer are included.

SQUIRE DENNIS BAILEY who shot and wounded his wife at Frankfort about two weeks ago has been held over to the Circuit Court in the sum of \$1,500.

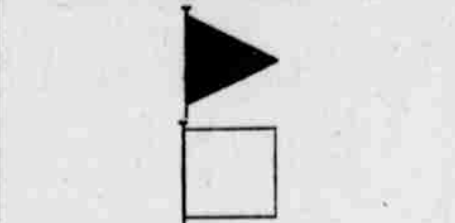
Horse butchers of Berlin are to open a "first class" restaurant there "for the purpose of educating the upper class to the use of horse flesh as a viand."

KENTUCKY WEATHER REPORT.

What We May Expect Between This Time and To-morrow Evening.

THE LEDGER'S WEATHER SIGNALS.

White steamers—FAIR; Blue—RAIN or SNOW; With Black ABOVE—TWO WARMER STOW; If Black's BENEATH—COLDER 'TILL BE; Unless Black's shown—no change we'll see.



The above forecasts are made for a period of thirty-six hours, ending at 5 o'clock to-morrow evening.



THE CIGARETTE.

To smoking cigarettes he took—A drain upon life's cup; And would no admonition brook—Refused to give them up.

But soon a change the scene came o'er, And it is safe to say He'll smoke the cigarettes no more—They buried him to-day.

FOUR thousand members of the Y. M. C. A. picknicked at Harper's Ferry, W. Va.

SAT river which supplies the town of Harrodsburg with water is said to have been poisoned.

AT Scottville the Democratic, People's and Republican parties held their conventions on the same day, and several fights was the result.

THE United States snagboat E. A. Woodruff will start from Pittsburg and come down the river removing all obstructions to navigation.

A NUMBER of the Denver Club are expected home in the next day or two. The advance guard came in this morning and a quantity of baggage.

GLADSTONE's followers claim the numerous reports sent out as to the condition of his health are the work of his political enemies, and are for a purpose.

SAM JONES made a disgraceful exhibition of himself at the Urbana, O. Camp meeting in "roasting" the newspaper reporters for telling that he received \$1,000 for eight days of chin music.

THE State Meeting of the Christian Church of Kentucky will be held in Danville, beginning this evening and continuing four days. Between three and four hundred delegates are expected to be present.

THE many alarming reports that have spread lately regarding the health of Gladstone are characterized by his son, Herbert Gladstone, as mere rubbish. He intimates that the reports were spread by Tories for a purpose.

REMEMBER, THE LEDGER prints "Help Wanted," "Lost," "Found," and similar notices not of a business character, free of charge. The only thing we require is that the copy be sent in before 9 o'clock on day of publication.

THE twelve-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Davis of near Rectoryville died last Friday night of membranous croup. Mrs. Davis was formerly a Miss Roe, daughter of W. H. Roe of near Orangeburg.

GOVERNOR BROWN will veto the bill creating a Police Judge for Newport or as it is worded for cities of the second class. The Governor holds it unconstitutional. The bill was introduced in the Senate by Senator Newman.

PATRICK CONNELLY of Reading thought he needed a bath, so he stripped himself and went out in the alley to be drenched in the rain. Marshal Dietrich came along, and thinking he was clean enough, took him to jail. Mayor Greiner gave him twenty days to dry off.

WILLIAM C. BAXTER was arrested at Lexington on a peace warrant sworn out by his wife, Amelia, who claims that he has beaten her and threatens to take her life. It is said that he has mistreated her for years, but this is the first time she has had him arrested.

A BARN belonging to John Garrett near Bridgeport in Lewis county was entirely destroyed by fire on Friday night, together with its contents, consisting of a lot of hay and feed and farming implements and tools of various kinds. Mr. Garrett is positive it was the work of an incendiary. His loss is near \$300 with an insurance of only \$60.

THERE is one farmer who will never fall into the hands of bunko steers. He created quite a scene at the corner of Vine and Eighth streets, Cincinnati, the other day by calling upon a policeman to arrest a man who yelled, "Hello, Mr. Smith," at him. He was firmly convinced the man was a sharper, and had evil intentions upon his purse. It seems he was mistaken, however, and the policeman advised him to move along and pay no attention to anybody.

SATURDAY evening at a picnic at Puthoff's ford of the Sandy, five miles from Greensburg, occurred a shocking tragedy whereby one brother instantly lost his life at the hands of another. Sam Pierce, the eighteen-year-old son of David Pierce, a prominent farmer of that neighborhood, was drinking and quarreling with a young man named Will Worthington. He drew a revolver and was caught by the arm by Will Downey. His younger brother, Tom Pierce, was coming toward them when the weapon was discharged, the ball taking effect in Tom's breast, killing him almost instantly. No arrest.

SATURDAY'S SKIRMISHES

Indicate Formidable Strength On Part of the Opposition to Judge Cole.

The Democratic precinct meetings Saturday were spirited and full of ginger. The contests all over the country were exciting and in some instances bitter.

The opposition to Judge Cole was more formidable than was supposed and the outcome was somewhat of a surprise.

But four precincts in the county, Maysville No. 1, Chester, Mayslick and Sardis instructed for Judge Cole though he is said to have some supporters among the uninstructed delegates.

The two Maysville precincts were a stand off, No. 1 going for Cole nearly two to one and No. 2 going against him, sending an uninstructed delegation.

Germantown and Fern Leaf instructed for Hazelrigg and Minerva for Wilhoit.

The rest of the precincts, so far as learned, will be represented in the convention by uninstructed delegates.

The County Convention this afternoon at the Courthouse promises to be warm and interesting.

THE Lower End Bums defeated the Fleming Pike Sports in a score of 35 to 34.

Fogs on the river the last several mornings have delayed steamboat traffic somewhat.

It is reported that the anarchists of New York have raised \$8,130 for Berkman's defense.

AN unknown man was run over by a train on the Cincinnati Southern at Georgetown.

AT the Sharpsburg Fair, Policeman Dale became involved in a quarrel with Bud Booth and the latter shot Dale four times, killing him instantly. Booth were arrested.

It is said that a match race is to be arranged shortly between Tammany and Lampighter, the crack runners of the East, and the phenomenal Western filly Yo Tambien.

It is estimated that there were 105,000 persons from outside the state of Colorado in Denver during the convalescent week. Also from 30,000 to 40,000 residents of the state.

THE bill providing that St. Patrick's Day should be a legal holiday in this Commonwealth was lost in the Senate for want of a constitutional majority. The vote stood 19 to 10.

FOUR snide jewelry men have come to grief at Covington. They have been bull-dozing the people for over a week, but they will probably be kept from doing any more harm for some months to come.

J. W. FITZGERALD's mare, Black Ide, won the 240 stake at the Oakley Track, Cincinnati, Saturday afternoon. She came under the wire ahead in the first, second and fifth heats. Time, 3:20, 3:24 and 3:25.

LITTLE BUEL of St. Louis, young and pretty, was in love with George Lewis. Her uncle opposed the match, took her to Illinois and cut her hair off close to her head. She escaped and will marry George.

In a drunken brawl at Leeb's saloon, Ashland, Roger Strode shot John Puffenberger, the ball passing through the stomach. Strode is in jail. Puffenberger's recovery is doubtful. As usual, a woman is in it.

MICHAEL HARRIS, the dynamiter, who was arrested and imprisoned for trying to kill Queen Victoria on her jubilee day in 1887, died at Philadelphia last week. Dr. Gallagher, who was with him at the time, is still in prison.

HAUCKE's Reed and Brass Band has been engaged by the labor organizations of Portsmouth to furnish music on Labor Day, September 5th. This band has always held a high place in the estimation of the Portsmouth people.

THE weeds on East Second street near the junction of the Fifth and Sixth Wards are over six feet high and interfere very seriously with the city delivery of THE LEDGER. The carrier got lost in them one day last week and was found and released with much difficulty.

BETWEEN the house which is too full of light and the one which is coolly shaded, take choice of the former. Doctors say they have no chance of a bill when they see a family living on the sunny side of the street, with the shutters open and the curtains up.

THE police of Middlesborough succeeded in arresting three more connected with the People's Bank robbery. John Hughes, Frank Hammerly and John Brown, all colored. John Hughes is worth \$25,000, and is the political leader of his race in this section. Immediately upon his arrest he put up \$3,000 cash for his appearance to-day.

A DOUBLE-HEADED freight train on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad jumped the track at Barboursville, ten miles East of Huntington Saturday, and twenty cars were thrown down an embankment. One of them was occupied by a number of tramps, all of whom were more or less injured, and an unknown colored man killed. A fireman named Woolen was badly hurt. It took several hours to clear the track.

AN attractive feature of Eden Park, says THE COMMERCIAL GAZETTE, is the massive stone building that stands like a monumental guard at its entrance. It is the stable built by the Park Commissioners at a cost of \$7,350, supposedly for the sheltering of beasts of burden. It has been styled a monument of inconsistency, erected by the Commissioners in memory of their ideas of economy. At present this massive building stables two miles of not more than ordinary stature. They are not crowded, and appear to enjoy the advantages this thing of beauty and joy forever affords for the free and unimpeded exercise of the divine-given right of scratching their hind legs. It requires somewhat of a patient search to find this long-eared pair in their palatial home.

SWITCHMEN

Employed by the Erie and Lehigh Valley Road Strike.

Property Belonging to Company Destroyed by Incendiary Fires.

A Number of Men at Work Assaulted and Injured—Lives Endangered—Derailing a Passenger Train—Switches Turned and Freight Cars Derailed.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 15.—There is no further disguising the fact that the strike of the Erie and Lehigh Valley switchmen is a serious matter.

Property belonging to the railroad company has been destroyed by incendiary fires; men engaged in the peaceful performance of their duties in the company's service have been assaulted and sent to the hospitals; the movement of trains has been seriously interfered with and the lives of innocent persons who were in no way connected with the strike and had not even heard of it, have been endangered by the derailment of a passenger train on one of the roads. Such is the indictment up to the hour of writing. There had been more or less ill feeling Saturday between the strikers and their sympathizers and the men who were doing the striker's work, and a few desultory assaults had occurred.

Things began to put on a more serious aspect at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, when a series of incendiary fires broke out simultaneously in the Lehigh Valley yards. Eighteen or twenty freight cars filled with wool, cotton, hay and various other merchandise, two passenger cars, two watchmen houses were burnt. The fires occurred at places where the firemen could not successfully stay the flames on account of an absence of water, besides the difficulty of access to the fires.

The water tank adjacent to the coal trestles was smashed and an engine that was taking water there wrecked by a string of ten runaway coal cars that had been turned loose from the trestle.

Fire was first discovered in the east-bound yards, east of Diggins street. Here a little office building and two or three freight cars were destroyed. At this time Yardmaster Mead discovered flames in two passenger coaches, used for the conveyance of workmen and turned in an alarm from William and Diggins streets.

In the yards east of Diggins street fire raged among the cars of merchandise. It took hose from three carts to reach the flames from the nearest hydrant. The firemen however, prevented the destruction of a great number of cars, and the loss of perhaps hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of property. The cars destroyed were in the midst of a great number of other cars.

The firemen uncoupled a number of cars and removed them from danger. A dozen or so of cars were thrown from the Lehigh tracks and a similar number from the Erie by misplaced switches.

The first intimation of any thing wrong was when the coal cars were set loose and demolished the water tank. Capt. Wurtz, of the eleventh precinct put a force of a dozen officers in the yard as soon as the alarm was given. The officers were unable to find any suspicious characters. That, briefly, is what had happened up to daylight Sunday morning. But that was only the beginning. The strikers, or their sympathizers, have pulled pins, turned switches and driven off crews. Three men are at the hospital badly hurt. One was assaulted at 3 o'clock Sunday morning, two others at 11 and another at 3 in the afternoon. The man who was assaulted at the Western New York and Pennsylvania crossing was on his way for the wrecker at the time and was turning a switch. The strikers had turned switches and thrown six cars from his train before that.

They say the Erie is thoroughly demoralized on account of the strike, and that every side-track on the Buffalo division is completely blocked. Two trains of freight cars standing on sidings at Cheektowaga, the railroad suburb of Buffalo, were burned Sunday night.

The Lehigh has called on the sheriff for protection. He sent six deputies to the scene and will swear in fifty more Monday morning. The police have yards in seven out of eleven precincts in the city to guard and all the reserves are called out. The man arrested Sunday for assault has been charged with rioting.

Congressman Warwick Dead.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—Hon. John G. Warwick, member of congress from the Sixteenth Ohio district, his predecessor having been Gov. William McKinley, jr., died Sunday night in his room at the Riggs house, of dysentery. While this news was not unexpected to those who knew of Mr. Warwick's condition Saturday night and Sunday, it came upon the city with suddenness, and recalled anew the unusual mortality that has accompanied this session of congress. The remains will leave Washington Monday evening over the Pennsylvania railroad, reaching Massillon at 11:45 Tuesday morning. The body will be removed from the station there directly to the Episcopal church, where the services will be held at 1 o'clock. The congressional committee will be Senators Brice and Hill and Representatives Hare and Donovan, of Ohio; Caruth, of Kentucky; Catchings, of Mississippi; Heard, of Missouri, and Bynum, of Indiana. All of Mr. Warwick's Ohio colleagues have been notified, and will attend the funeral.

Midguts Wedded.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Victoria hall, was the scene of a unique wedding Sunday night, when midguts were made man and wife. They were Leopold Kahn, better known to the public as Admiral Dot, and Miss bottle Naomi Swartwood. The ceremony was according to the Jewish ritual.